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IN RE APPLICATION OF :
MINORU KASE, ET AL. : ATTN: APPLICATION DIVISION
SERIAL NO: 10/614,833 :
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FATTY ACID :

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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SIR:

In advance of prosecution, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on
page 2 of this paper.